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Modern Conditions vs. Ancient Menns The Star has been for some days trying to learn the exact state of public feeling on the subject of the establishment of a whip ping-post in the District as a means of punshment for minor offenses. Interviews have been had with dozens of people, of all walks of life, and all shades of opinion have been expressed. Some ingenious arguments have been advanced both for and against the recommendation of the grand jury, and a slight drift of sentiment seems to have set in favorable to the experiment. It is not remarkable that there should be such an interest shown in the subject, for it is no light matter to suggest, in these days of advancement, a return to a method of public discipline that was practically abandoned scores of years ago. The whipping post question represents a critical stage in government. To abandon it is to acknowledge its inefficiency as a means of checking the tendency to evil-doing, while to re-es tablish the institution after a period of years would indicate a failure of the more modern methods of punishment. The Star does not accept as demonstrated the total inefficiency of the now-provided means of enforcing the laws. It does not agree that those means are inadequate, or that the increase of crime-due undoubtedly to the results of the increasing population in large cities-can be attributed to a lack of effective reformatory measures. There may be, it is true, a large class of men and women in the community whose characters are such as to make the jail inviting, who prefer what more sensitive minds regard as disgrace to the wretched life of liberty their poverty provides. To such, a whipping-post might act as a deterrent, but the history of human nature does not augur well for that conclusion. To re-establish the whipping-post would be to acknowledge that modern ingenuity is incompetent to battle with modern problems, a confession that is yet to be made by science or any other art or profession. Government is progressive if successful, and it is not a wholesome kind of progress that seeks to go ahead by reverting to conditions that were abandoned many years ago as degrading and useless.

Is There a Chance for Football?

That part of the American public which is anxicus that the noble game of football should not be further disgraced by adhererce to the brutally-modern rules of play that have prevailed for some seasons past is awaiting the first signs of a revulsion of feeling in other quarters than Harvard and Georgetown Universities, which have officially tabooed the rough sport as unrecessary and unmanly. The season for great games between the representatives of the various colleges is at hand, and it remains to be seen whether or not the intelligent citizens of Washington will continue to support the game that last Thanks giving day cost the life of one of the brightest young men who ever attended a local institution. That game and its fatal result should long remain in the memories of the people here as a warning against the rough play that is made possible by the present rules. Football can yet be spared from total ostracism by amended to make it reasonable and decent. The game that was played here by professionals for a short time last year demonstrated that the sport is subject to radical changes without altering its essential features, and without detracting from its attractiveness to those who love quick, intelligent play, constant motion and cleverress in strategic attack and defense. If the game could only be rescued from the faddishness of the public who are prone to support what is "the thing" it might easily be made again the honored amusement i once was, but unless other colleges follow in the foot-steps of Georgetown and Harvard little is to be hoped for this year, as human nature is hard to reform.

An Unobtrusive Missionary.

Senator Brice's assumption of indifference to details of Ohio politics is not unworthy in a man of his position. He has tasted the joys of official and social glory he has been recognized as a public power, and bis triumphs in the realms of the five o'clock tea and the altitudinous handshake have not been inconsiderable. He has a reputation above the labor of conciliating individual votes. But Mr. Brice has railroad business to attend to and he is obliged in its transaction to cover a good deal of ground in the state of Ohio. And while he is getting over this ground inspecting round-houses and thumbing for cracked wheels in the rolling stock it would be gross neglect for him not to say a sociable word or two on politics to the section hands. Of course Mr. Brice is not hustling for votes. That is Mr. Campbell's business. If there is any handshaking to be attended to Mr Campbell is the man to look after it. If No doubt they'd say "farewell" till spring. there are any babies to be kissed, Mr. Campbell must prepare to pucker. The Senator's position is one of too much dignity to permit him to go into an active wrangle for the pie which should be, according to accepted tradition, tendered on a legislative salver. But while he is applying himself to the railroad business he can incidentally do a great deal of missionary work, and it is not to be believed that he will allow a personal sense of loftinessthat bane of political success-to prevent his winning the confidence and esteem of the yoemanry as the opportunity quietly presents itself.

Twenty men only were at work this fine day on the city post-office building.

This is His Busy Season.

President Cleveland has of course real ized long ago that his election to be the Chief Magistrate of the nation did not abselve him from the ordinary experiences of life, and he is about to receive an additional proof of his liability to the annoy ance that bothers every man who takes a vacation. When he went north weeks ago to take a rest to which he was clearly entitled, he knew full well that on his return he would be confronted with numer ous matters of grave importance to which he could not possibly attend while away, surrounded by all the comforts of a comparatively private life. There were some small details of administration that were followed, but the bulk of the work remains There is evidence to show that the Venezuela boundary dispute is yet to be handled with that firmness and Mecisiveness that can be given to a diplomatic affair only by the ultimate head of authority, acting at the seat of government with the advice of his cabinet. The position of the United States in this case is of great importance. It is an opportunity to declare for the Monroe doctrine such as the administration may not have again. There have been other chances in the past, but they are gone. Again, the relations between America and Spain with reference to the Cuban insurrection are growing tense.

If it be true, as reported, that the authority of our consul general at Havana has been curtailed by the action of the Spanish authorities, it will surely be incumbent upon the President to take steps to prevent a ontinuance of such a humiliating state of affairs. Turkey seems to be on the point of being carved to pieces by the European owers, and Uncle Sam, though not a memper of this greedy dinner party, should look alive when the knife flashes and perhaps get the wishbone. There are interests at stake, both personal and commercial, of sufficient importance to make it advisable for the administration to be ready to act with promptness and decision when the powers fall to, acting as a neutral nation letermined to protect its own. Fortunately, however, no American territory is here involved. But meanwhile Hawaii is torn between rumors of an impending assault by the Japanese, and a notion that Princess Kaiulani is to be made the devisee of the Dole government. These ideas are baseless, to be sure, but they affect a state that is near to being a part of the American republic, and it will be well for the government to keep on the alert. The would-be prize fighters may succeed in getting into trouble with the Interior Department, if they do not manage to come to blows themselves, and this may mean more worry for the administration. So that, not counting bis preparatory literary labors incidental to the opening of Congress, the President is ant to have a very lively time of it during the coming six weeks.

A Fashionable Pioneer. The bloomer question has achieved too

imposing a magnitude to escape the omniverous attention of the scientist. Re-searches are being carefully made as to its origin. And when midnight-oil and grey matter are voluminously expended on the tion of a defunct megatherium's funny bone it is not to be doubted that a fitting topic for the consideration of the savant is presented by so powerful a factor in the lestinies of the human race as the bifurcated garment threatens to become. It has been attributed to the luxurious abodes of the Orient, but a claim is presented which gives the American continent a strong position in the contest for the glory of originating the idea. The Eskimo young lady wears bloomers. She has worn them ever since the Eskimo race has existed. She has done the housework and chased walruses out of the front yard in that socalled fin de siecle garb for many generations past, and to her should be given at least a fighting chance for the honor of being known as the pioneer new woman. It is true that she does not revel in tailormade costumes, but she has no cause to feel that she is behind the march of the modes. With seal-skin bloomers a matter of every day apparel to her she can still proudly claim to be a leader.

The collectors of statistics in comparing the relative wealth of states have figured it out that Delaware could be bought for \$59,951,643. As a tip for Mr. Addicks this is a little tardy.

Lord Sackville cannot be called a positive failure as a public man. He is a negative failure. He had two golden opportunities to keep silent and he neglected both

The derisive epithet and the more-or-less funny picture are still the most prominent elements of the New York campaign. The work of securing votes will come later.

Unless the Sultan of Turkey makes ar

rangements to withdraw from the game he is in danger of feeling a good deal like the center-rush in a foot ball eleven. The Cuban revolution has apparently

taken its heavy apparel out of camphor with the intention of remaining all winter if necessary. The challenge from Coxey to Campbell

of the enemy to waste valuable democratic time The discussion over the new Washington

for a joint debate looks like an invention

bishop is quite as interesting as politics and a great deal more dignified.

in New York is receiving less and less en-The Coleman-Drayton scandal will now

run a few more :aps in society circles. SHOOTING STARS.

A Theory.

"I wonder what this bicycle-brain that they are discussing can be?" said the young physician.

"Why," replied his wife, with the satisfied air of superior knowledge, "it must be the same thing as they mean when they say one has wheels, isn't it?"

The High Hat.

It comes again, that autumn woe, Which yearly greets the silken tile; Once more we find, as chill winds blow, That last year's hat is out of style.

An Indication.

"I hear that Mrs. Scribbleton Shockwell is going to get a divorce," said one literary "Dear me." replied the other. "Her pub-

lishers must have another of her novels That Lingering Good-Bye.

"Farewell, farewell"-still at the gate They loiter, though the hour be late-If no cold wave were on the wing

Her Strategem. "N'ndeed," said Soparonia Primrose, "I loesn' want no whippin'-pos' foh my man. I doan' need it." "Whus 'de reason? Didn' he done smash

yoh eye?" "Sho' 'nuff he did. But didn' I dun' mek 'im er present ob er secon'-han' blcycle? An' ain' he in baid dis minute done up wuss'n any whippin'-pos' 'ud eber leab 'm? When I reg'lates my domestic 'fairs, I doesn' want no he'p f'um nobody."

Simile.

Now the rustling forest leaves Change from summer hues, Even as the prudent youth Blacks his yellow shoes.

His Identity Fixed. "Yes," said the man with the imposing orversational manner, "this country has

much to learn." "Think so?" replied the hotel clerk. "Emphatically. I am daily pained by its deficiencies in art, music, science and literature. What it wants is some personsome cultivated person like myself, for instance-to show it how its books should be written, how its music should be composed, how its army should be disciplined, how its government should be con-

lucted-" tage-whisper of one of the bell boys: "Hi, Chimmy, tel de boss ter fire dat oride an' groom out'n de parler suite on de econ' floor. We's got de Emperor of Germany wit' us in disguise."

rom the Philadelphia Press.

The revolution in Hawaii, it now comes out, is to be in the interest of Kaiulani. Why not say English protectorate at once, for Kaiulani in the hands of Cleghorn, Theophilus Davies, ex-Minister Wodehouse and others of the British clique would be helpless to assert any individuality. But all this is idle surmise, as the Americans on the island and on this side of the Pacific. the island and on this side of the Pacific will never let a slip of a girl sell out their interests to John Bull.

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